

**Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN. 38201
March 13, 2014**

- a. **Call to Order** – Mayor Holland
- b. **Opening Prayer** – Vice Mayor Hale
- c. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Vice Mayor Hale
- d. **Roll Call** – All members of the council were present.

Mayor Holland
Vice Mayor Hale
Councilperson Barksdale
Councilperson Glisson
Councilperson Lankford
Councilperson Pruneau
Councilperson Townes

- e. **Mayor's Welcome**

Mayor welcomed everyone to the council meeting

- f. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Councilperson Glisson, seconded by Councilperson Barksdale, to approve the regular meeting minutes dated February 13, 2014. The motion passed.

- g. **Financial Matters**

| 1. Bills: | <u>Vendor(s)</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| None | | |

- h. **Old Business**

None

- i. **New Business**

1. Mr. John Poole, city auditor, will be giving report on audit ending June 30, 2013

Discussion:

Mr. Poole introduced himself as the auditor hired by the city to audit the city’s financial records ending June 30, 2013. He explained to the council the city revenues and expenses had been managed in a way to reduce any business risk the city might encounter. This was especially true in the utilities and property tax revenues. Where monies were spent and authorized and approved by this board, the audit showed the money was spent on city business. Overall review from the audit was satisfactory and no significant findings were found. Mr. Poole stated that should any board member need to talk to him about the audit personally, his phone number is listed in the audit on page 1.

2. Discussion/Approval for the appointment to the McKenzie Housing Authority Board

Discussion:

Mayor Holland told the council she would like to recommend Mr. Randolph (Craig) Hobson to the McKenzie Housing Authority Board to fill the expired term of Ms. Rosalind Winston.

Action taken:

Motion was made by Councilperson Lankford, seconded by Councilperson Pruneau, to accept the recommendation of Mayor Holland to appoint Mr. Randolph Hobson to the McKenzie Housing Authority Board.

Motion is by roll call vote:

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| Councilperson Barksdale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Lankford | <u>Y</u> |
| Councilperson Glisson | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Pruneau | <u>Y</u> |
| Vice Mayor Hale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Townes | <u>Y</u> |

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0,
The motion passed.

3. Discussion/Approval of Resolution 14-004 (a resolution to open account(s) and/or transfer funds from bank to bank for investing purposes)

Discussion:

Mayor Holland explained to the council this resolution allowed the City Recorder to transfer city funds between banks for best rates for investing.

Action taken:

Motion was made by Councilperson Barksdale, seconded by Vice Mayor Hale, to approve Resolution 14-004.

Motion is by roll call vote:

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|-------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Councilperson Barksdale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Lankford | <u>Y</u> |
| Councilperson Glisson | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Pruneau | <u>Y</u> |
| Vice Mayor Hale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Townes | <u>Y</u> |

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0,
The motion passed.

4. Discussion on LPRF grant for depot greenspace

Discussion:

Mayor Holland told the council the city is seeking another LPRF grant to create a greenspace near the depot on city-owned property. If grant is awarded, a fountain and a splash pad would be built for children to enjoy during the summer. Mayor Holland stated other communities like Cookeville, Martin and Ripley have such splash pads and fountains for the benefit of families. Two more public hearings will need to be held on the grant application by March 28.

j. Any Other Business

Members of the American Legion Post 37 gave the city an official POW/MIA flag to be flown at City Hall underneath the American Flag. According to post commander Eddie Lankford, the flag serves to honor those military servicemen and women who have suffered as prisoners of war or have been listed as Missing in Action during conflicts on foreign soil. Lankford also pointed out that there may be some MIA's who are still alive and held as prisoners by hostile nations or groups. Lankford explained to the council the U.S. Senate recently passed a bill allowing individuals and organizations to donate these flags to governmental entities. The flag features the words: "You are not forgotten." Joining Lankford in the flag presentation were post adjutant James Choate and post member George Nolen, Sr.

Mayor Holland received the flag on behalf of the city and promised that it would be flown.

Park Director Ricky French asked the council for permission to seek bids for the purchase of a commercial lawn mower. He told the council he had only one mower working.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Hale, seconded by Councilperson Barksdale, to allow Park Director French to seek bids for a new commercial lawn mower.

Motion is by roll call vote:

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| Councilperson Barksdale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Lankford | <u>Y</u> |
| Councilperson Glisson | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Pruneau | <u>Y</u> |
| Vice Mayor Hale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Townes | <u>Y</u> |

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0,
The motion passed.

Mayor Holland presented a resolution for the city to participate in the Carroll County Health Council's Walk program. The program involves the creation of community walking clubs to promote healthy habits and lifestyles. Mayor Holland appointed Mr. Garlon Prewitt to head the city effort to develop a walking club in the city.

Motion was made by Councilperson Lankford, seconded by Councilperson Townes, to pass the resolution for the city to participate in the Carroll County Health Council's Walk program.

Motion is by roll call vote:

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| Councilperson Barksdale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Lankford | <u>Y</u> |
| Councilperson Glisson | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Pruneau | <u>Y</u> |
| Vice Mayor Hale | <u>Y</u> | Councilperson Townes | <u>Y</u> |

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0,
The motion passed.

k. Citizens Input

George Nolen, Sr. addressed the council about the need for more street scraping equipment to clear streets in cases of future snow and ice. Mayor Holland said the equipment is very expensive and only necessary on rare occasions. She said the city used its military Humvee to maneuver during the ice storm.

l. Council Discussion/Reports

Councilperson Barksdale told the council the Industrial Board now owns the Vyn-All building again. Vyn-All paid out its remaining lease and relinquished control of the building to the industrial board.

Councilperson Lankford gave an update on parks and recreation.

Councilperson Pruneau said Water Department employee Joey Fitzgerald is challenging the state testing to become a licensed wastewater plant operator.

Mayor Holland note The McKenzie Banner's editorial concerning Sunshine Week – a national period to celebrate various states' laws to assure the public has notice and access to governmental meetings. Mayor Holland said the city welcomes the public to all its meetings.

m. Adjournment

With no further business, motion was made by Councilperson Barksdale, seconded by Councilperson Glisson, to adjourn. The motion passed.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Charlie Beal, CMFO, CMC
City Clerk/Recorder